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All Aboard! **Excursion Trains are Running** **Memorial Day Weekend at Railtown 1897** ***Saturday, May 28 thru Monday, May 30***

JAMESTOWN, Calif. – To kick off the summer season in rail-related style, the popular weekend steam-powered excursion trains will be running all three days of the Memorial Day holiday weekend -- May 28, 29 and 30 -- at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park (SHP) in Jamestown.

Trains will depart on-the-hour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, delighting visitors from near and far during a six-mile, 40-minute roundtrip ride along the rails of the famous "Movie Railroad," passing through California's scenic Gold Country.

Tickets for the steam train excursion rides aboard "mountain observation cars" are \$13 for adults, \$6 for youths ages 6-17 and kids five and under are free. All tickets include park admission and are available on a first-come, first served basis at the ticket window beginning at 10 a.m. on the days the trains are running.

In addition to special holiday weekends, steam-powered excursion train rides are offered weekends through October 2011.

About Railtown 1897 State Historic Park

Operated by California State Parks with assistance from the nonprofit California State Railroad Museum Foundation, Railtown 1897 State Historic Park offers year-round tours plus train rides weekends April-October (selected dates only November-December). Known as "The Movie Railroad," the Park and its trains have been featured in hundreds of feature films, TV shows, and commercials. The Park is located at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Reservoir Road in Jamestown, reached by highways 49/108. Open daily except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day, the Park's operating hours vary by season: April-October, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; November-March, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information, call Railtown 1897 State Historic Park at (209) 984-3953, or visit our Web site at www.railtown1897.org